

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

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Application or Docket Number

09/921141

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS	20	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	20 minus 20 =	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 minus 3 =	1
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	19	Minus .. 20	= 1
Independent	4	Minus ... 4	= 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

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	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	23	Minus .. 20	= 3
Independent	3	Minus ... 4	= 1
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total		Minus ..	=
Independent		Minus ...	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

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TYPE ☐OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	355.00	OR	BASIC FEE	710.00
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X40=		OR	X80=	80
+135=		OR	+270=	
TOTAL		OR	TOTAL	790

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X40=		OR	X80=	
+135=		OR	+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	150.00
X40=		OR	X80=	
+135=		OR	+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	150.00

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X40=		OR	X80=	
+135=		OR	+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: KIKUCHI et al
Serial No.: 09/921,141
Filed: August 3, 2001
For: Electric Appliance Renting System
Art Unit: 3627
Examiner: L. Jasmin

AMENDMENT

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July 11, 2005

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application with the accompanying RCE, in response to the office action dated April 11, 2005. The amendments are listed below and set forth on the following pages.

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Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.

application patentably distinguish over Yabutani et al in the sense of 35 USC 102 and should be considered allowable thereover.

As to any suggestion by the Examiner that the claimed features as now set forth in the independent and dependent claims thereof would be rendered obvious by Yabutani et al in the sense of 35 USC 103, applicants note that Yabutani et al and the present application have a common assignee and the Examiner is referred to 35 USC 103(c) which is applicable to the present application such that a rejection under 35 USC 103 based upon Yabutani et al would not be proper.


In view of the newly submitted claims, applicants submit that all claims present in this application should now be in condition for allowance. Applicants request that the Examiner upon taking up this application for action contact the undersigned attorney to schedule an interview so that any outstanding issues can be resolved and this application be allowed.

For the foregoing reasons, favorable action in this application in this application is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 600.40416X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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